

# MONTANA ASKS FOR TROOPS, IF NEEDED

## Governor Makes Request of President, Fearing 500 Militiamen Too Few.

### WAR DEPARTMENT PLANS

#### Breckenridge Suggests Some of the Troops Now in Colorado Could Be Spared—Meeting Nights May Reopen Strife.

BUTTE, Mont., June 15.—Tonight President Charles H. Meyer, of the Western Federation of Miners, telegraphed that he was coming to Butte from Denver in an effort to persuade the seceding miners to recon sider their action.

J. C. Lowrey, of Butte, member of the executive board of the Western Federation and long prominently connected with the miners, arrived tonight from Great Falls, Mont.

WASHINGTON, June 15.—Governor Stewart, of Montana, telegraphed President Wilson today asking that Federal troops be held in readiness to restore order in the Butte copper mine districts in event of further rioting.

At the same time the Governor sent messages to the Montana Senators and Representatives in Congress, urging them to call at the White House and support his request. Senators Meyers and Walsh and Representatives Egan and Stout arranged to see the President tomorrow morning.

#### Serious Trouble Feared.

Governor Stewart, in his telegram to the President, said there are only 500 militiamen in Montana and that he feared serious trouble was liable to result within the next few days. He explained that rioting had broken out in the Butte copper mine districts both on Tuesday and Wednesday night and that the miners' union had been wrecked with dynamite by seceding members of the union and two prisoners had been taken from the City Jail. Threats are alleged to have been made to lynch several Deputy Sheriffs and attack other officials.

#### Troops in Colorado May Go.

Late tonight, Assistant Secretary Breckenridge, of the War Department, was called to the White House and asked what troops would be available for service in Montana in the event it became necessary to withdraw some of the cavalrymen now on duty in that state and send them to Butte. A full report of the department will be ready for the President before the Montana Congressmen call tomorrow. The President awaits further advice before acting.

### MOVE IS ONLY PRECAUTIONARY

#### Governor Says Appeal Is Only if New Outbreak Demands Troops.

BUTTE, Mont., June 15.—Governor S. V. Stewart, who left Washington today the possibility of securing Federal troops, in case they are needed in connection with the trouble now existing in the Butte copper mine district of the Western Federation of Miners.

First news to this effect came from Washington and surprised most of those who heard it, because it followed a quiet day. The insurgent faction of the miners went to work, as did the conservatives without being asked, and it is customary, to show their union cards, and union officials, driven to shelter in rioting Saturday, remained under cover. The Governor, who arrived here early today from Helena and vigorously denied a report that he had ordered the militia mobilized, also denied a report that he had actually appealed for troops, explaining that his inquiry was as to their availability "in case a contingency should arise." He insisted that exchanges today with Washington were "merely precautionary" and declared that "at present there is no condition in Butte or in Montana that requires intervention of state or Federal troops."

So far as outward conditions in Butte were observable tonight they appeared to confirm the Governor's declaration as to the status of the moment. Wednesday, however, comes a balloting on the question "shall we refuse to show Western Federation cards at all the mines?" This balloting inevitably will precipitate a meeting of the 2000 or more insurgent union men who are rebelling mainly at the continuation of strike benefit assessments, and perhaps 1000 of the conservatives.

### STRIKE PICKETS CONTINUE

#### Westinghouse Company's Statement Gets No Answer.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 15.—Strike pickets continued duty today about the shops of the Westinghouse Company. Union leaders said a statement issued by the employers to the effect that all shops should be open to union and non-union men alike had not tended to promote an agreement.

"We are too busy to confer with the company, even if they wanted a conference on the published statement," said Miss Bridget Kenny, secretary of the Industrial Union. This was accepted as a reply to the position of the companies.

### "ARMY" ESCHEWS LABOR

#### 'General' Kelley's Unemployed Band Decides to Move On.

GRAFTON, W. Va., June 15.—"General" Kelley's army of the unemployed was given today the alternative of getting out of the county at once or being put to work on the public roads. "Colonel" C. D. McLennan told the court the "army" would move on and the entire party of 40 was escorted to the city limits by the police.

#### King Dissolves Danish House.

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, June 15.—The upper house of the Danish Parliament was dissolved today by order of King Christian. The 12 life members appointed by the King were not included in the decree, which affects only the 54 elected members.

### WIFE OF NEW YORK CARTOONIST WHO IS INJURED IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT.



—Photo by Underwood & Underwood. MRS. BUD FISHER.

### ARTIST'S WIFE HURT

#### Mrs. "Bud" Fisher's Injury in Auto Accident Serious.

### CARTOONIST IS RETICENT

#### Ex-Actress Believed to Have Been "Joyriding" — Rescue Comes When Flames of Burning Car Lick Skirt Hems.

NEW YORK, June 9.—Mrs. "Bud" Fisher, the pretty wife of the noted cartoonist, lies badly injured at Fordham Hospital as a result of injuries received in an automobile accident on Pelham Parkway. Five other women who were in the two big touring cars when they crashed are hurt, two of them seriously. Mrs. Fisher's injuries were the worst.

### PRESIDENT ISSUES DEFINITION

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idle when so many families are already starving?

#### Rate Increase Proposed.

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confronts the country today is that unemployment is growing more acute. We need relief. We ask the Congress of the United States to halt before it is too late. Postpone all anti-business legislation. Give the country a rest; and last but not least, permit Congress to earn a well deserved early rest."

A prepared telegram much to the same effect but in condensed terms was attached. The Simmons letter declared that the three things which stood in the way of prosperity were the Mexican situation, the awaited advance in freight rates, and continued hostile legislation in Congress. It said in part:

"Especially do we recommend that no further attempt at legislation on the matter of control of business or passing of anti-trust laws should be continued at this time. What the country needs more now than anything else is a quiet time—an absolute rest from the agitation of politics and assaults upon business—it does not make any difference whether it is big business or little business.

"We therefore strongly recommend and earnestly hope that Congress may be convinced that they have done enough lawmaking for the present; that the country is tired and surfeited with political agitations and that the agitation now of the control of business is exceedingly injurious and will serve to retard an improvement in business which otherwise would be very great and rapid—bringing in the most desirable way 'the greatest good to the greatest number.'"

"We submit these arguments or reasons to you, asking you and praying you to use your best influence in following the lines suggested in this communication, visit to have Congress shut up shop and go home. If you agree with us send to your Congressional and Senators a telegram something like the enclosed and urge your Commercial Club to pass strong resolutions along similar lines and send them to Washington. Our representatives there are worn out physically and mentally, and will welcome your suggestion that further consideration and legislation affecting business be postponed until December."

The President declined to make any extended comment on the letters, declaring they spoke for themselves.

### DRY PRESIDENT PREDICTED

#### Prohibition Leader Sees National Victory in 1920.

CLINTON, Mo., June 15.—Predictions that the next National political campaign in the United States will be fought on a "wet" and "dry" issue, and that the year 1920 will see a nomination of the Prohibition party in the White House, were made today by H. P. Faria, of Clinton, treasurer of the National prohibition committee, in welcoming delegates to the National conference of the Prohibition party.

### EPWORTH LEAGUERS MEET

#### Convention of 58 Chapters Opens in Clarke County Today.

VANCOUVER, Wash., June 15.—(Special)—A convention of 58 chapters of the Epworth League in the Vancouver district of the Methodist Episcopal Church will be held in Harmony Church June 16, 17 and 18.

For baby's comfort—Santiseptic Lotion.—Adv.

### MINE PROMOTED ON SENATE STATIONERY

#### Government Officials Employed in Advancing Gold Property Is Intimation.

### SENATORS QUICK TO ACT

#### Overman, Principally Involved, Asks Investigation to Remove Any Reflection, Saying 'Poor Woman' Stenographer to Blame.

WASHINGTON, June 15.—The way was opened in the Senate today for an investigation of the use of Senate stationery and the alleged employment of Government officials in connection with the promotion of a North Carolina gold mine.

Senator Overman, one of those mentioned in connection with the mine, introduced a resolution calling for such an inquiry, and it was endorsed by Senator Chilton, another Senator whose name figured in the same way.

#### Brokers Receive Letters.

The call for an investigation came as a result of a report published today declaring that there had appeared in the offices of New York brokers letters boosting the mine. The letters were signed by Senator Overman, an economic and mining engineer. The other letter was said to be identical.

#### Overman Takes Initiative.

"While there is no reflection upon me in the article," Senator Overman said, "I want to introduce a resolution for an investigation because some might say there is a reflection upon me. Now there have been just four copies of this letter made in my office, by a lady clerk—one made when I was absent. Newman asked her to make some copies of the letter and believing that there was no harm in her doing so, she made the copies.

#### Fan Poked by Chilton.

Senator Chilton addressed the Senate as soon as Senator Overman concluded.

#### PANACEA IS PROPOSED

#### UNIFORM WAGE FOR SILK WORKERS THROUGHOUT NATION URGED.

Strikers' Official Says Followers Will Revolt Again When They Have Recovered From Strain.

PATERSON, N. J., June 15.—The establishment by the United States commission on industrial relations of a uniform scale of wages for workers in the silk mills throughout the United States as a panacea for labor troubles and excessive competition was today urged on the commission by Henry Doherty, Jr., of Henry Doherty & Son, one of the largest silk manufacturing concerns in the world.

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Gerard Denies Gubernatorial Hope. BERLIN, June 15.—Ambassador James W. Gerard denied today the published report that he intended to try for nomination to the Governorship of the State of New York.

PHILADELPHIA, June 15.—Mrs. Lucille Polk Carter was granted a divorce today from William B. Carter. The Carters are prominent in Philadelphia socially. Mr. and Mrs. Carter, with their two children, a boy and a girl, escaped from the sinking Titanic in April, 1912.

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